Mr. James Fletcher: Will the Government be pleased to note the answer "Nil" given to parts (*a*) and (*b*) (i)?

Mr. K. Kunjan Pillai: Government have noted that.

Spillway at Thottapally.

46. ***Mr. K. M. Kesavan** (*Karunagapalli, Karthikapalli and Ambalapuzha* cum *Shertala*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they have received any representation from the people for the construction of a spillway at Thottapally to minimise the ravages of flood in Kuttanad; and

(*b*) if so, what action have they taken on the same?

Mr. I. C. Chacko (*Ag. Chief Engineer*): (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) The question is being investigated.

Unrepaired bridges on the Quilon-Alleppey road.

47. ***Mr. K. M. Kesavan**: Will the Government be pleased to state why such important bridges as the Iron Bridge of Quilon and the bridge at Chavara on the Quilon-Alleppey road are left unrepaired and not made fit for heavy traffic?

Mr. I. C. Chacko: Necessary steps are being taken to repair the two bridges.

Cold Storage Plant.

48. ***Mr. M. K. Ananthasiva Aiyar** (*Nominated*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether the cold storage plant in Trivandrum is in working condition; and

(*b*) if so, what are the receipts and expenditure in connection with the plant in 1116?

Mr. C. V. Chandrasekharan (*Pro-Vice-Chancellor, University of Travancore*): (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Receipts	...	Rs.	2,231	Ch.	13	ca. 1
Expenditure	...	„	2,990	„	2	„ 0

Mr. M. K. Ananthasiva Aiyar: May I know why the Cold Storage Plant worked at a loss?

Mr. C. V. Chandrasekharan: Various difficulties were experienced with regard to transport and marketing.

Mr. M. K. Ananthasiva Aiyar: May I know whether there is any possibility of making it a paying concern?

Mr. C. V. Chandrasekharan: Not through departmental management, I am afraid.

Mr. M. K. Ananthasiva Aiyar: Do the Government propose to hand it over to private agencies?

Mr. C. V. Chandrasekharan: That proposal is under consideration.

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